

2008/09 38th Javelin Australian Championships
28 December 2008 to 4 January 2009 Beaumaris Yacht Club Inc.,
Ricketts Point, Beaumaris, Victoria

**Organising Authority for this Regatta is Beaumaris Yacht Club Inc. in
conjunction with the Javelin Association of Victoria Inc.**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The 38th Javelin Australian Championships will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the ISAF 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) Addendum “A”, Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats), shall apply to all entrants.

1.2 Part II – By Laws, Rule 3 “Heats, Scoring and Courses for Australian Championships” of the Javelin Association of Australia Constitution is changed as follows:

‘Courses shall have no minimum or maximum distance requirement.’

1.3 Advertising:

All Competitors may be required to display Series or Event sponsor’s name(s)/logo(s).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in on the first floor of Beaumaris Yacht Club Inc.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast located on the northern deck of the Yacht Club building.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, a warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered. (Alteration to RRS Race Signals)

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Scheduled Racing Sessions</i>
Sunday 28 December 2008	Invitation Racing Session
Monday 29 December 2008	PM Racing Session
Tuesday 30 December 2008	AM Provisional Racing Session PM Racing Session
Wednesday 31 December 2008	AM Racing Session PM Provisional Racing Session
Thursday 1 January 2009	Lay Day - No racing
Friday 2 January 2009	AM Provisional Racing Session PM Racing Session
Saturday 3 January 2009	AM Provisional Racing Session PM Racing Session
Sunday 4 January 2009	AM Racing Session PM Provisional Racing Session

5.2 The maximum number of races shall be nine (9).

5.3 The warning signal for:

- (a) an AM racing session will not be before 0930 hrs
- (b) a PM racing session will not be before 1330 hrs

5.4 No warning signal shall be made after 1400 hrs on the last scheduled race day.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be the Javelin class symbol in black on a yellow background.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area for the event is the waters off Beaumaris Yacht Club.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Attachment 1 shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate compass

bearing from the midpoint of the starting line to Mark 1.

- 8.3** When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9 MARKS

- 9.1** Mark 1 will be a yellow triangular inflatable mark.
- 9.2** Marks 2A and 2B will be orange cylindrical inflatable marks.
- 9.2** New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be staff marks displaying a green flag.
- 9.3** The starting and finishing marks will be a staff displaying an orange flag.

10 THE START

- 10.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an Orange flag on a Race Committee Signal vessel at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.
- 10.3** A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

11 CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

To change the position of the windward mark or the finish line, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark (or the original finish line) as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee vessel at the port end and the starboard end finishing mark.
- 12.2** At the finish, if the Race Committee vessel is displaying code flag "L" it is the intention of the Race Committee to start another race in this session.
- 12.3** When the course is shortened at a gate, a race committee boat near the gate will display code flag "S" and boats shall finish by sailing through the gate from the direction of the previous mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1** A boat that has taken a penalty under rule 31.2 or 44.1 should complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 13.2** Rules 44.1 and 44.4 shall apply. Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, are required.

- 13.3** As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken rule 42, provided that a member of the committee or its designated observer has seen the incident.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1** The time limit for the first boat to finish a short course race is 100 minutes and 180 minutes for a long course race.

- 14.2 Short course:** Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

Long course: Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

- 15.2** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

- 15.3** Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 30 minutes of the end of protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

- 15.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) on the Official Notice Board.

- 15.5** A list of boats that, under instruction 13.2, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted before the protest time limit.

- 15.6** For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the organizing authority.

- 15.7** Infringements of Sailing Instructions 1.3, 13.1, 13.3, 17, 18 and 21 shall not be grounds for protest by competitors, but may result in action by the Race Committee or Jury. This changes RRS 60 and 61.

- 15.8** On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

16 SCORING

- 16.1** The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

16.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3

- (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores.
- (b) When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst score.
- (c) When from eight (8) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst two (2) scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Sign-on and Sign-off:

Sign-On:

For each race or race session each competitor intending to race shall personally "sign-on", by completing the appropriate details on the "sign-on/off" sheet located just inside the main boat storage door prior to the warning signal of the race session. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction will result in a boat incurring a scoring penalty of 20% of their race score for the first race in this race session without a hearing. This changes Rule 63.1

Sign-Off:

All boats shall "sign-off" upon returning to shore by completing the appropriate details on the "sign-on/off" sheet located just inside the main boat storage door no later than the end of protest time for that day. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction will result in a boat incurring a scoring penalty of 20% of their race score for the last race in this race session without a hearing. This changes Rule 63.1

17.2 Buoyancy Aids:

All competitors shall wear, while racing, personal flotation devices that are in good condition and are in accordance with the specifications issued by or approved by a national authority affiliated to the ISAF, or standards organisation, or certification authority recognised for the purpose by its respective government. In addition, government regulations require that competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat. This changes rule 40.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Sailing Committee.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Sailing Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the Sailing Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing

instructions.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as displaying the Beaumaris Yacht Club burgee.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

Team Managers, Coaches, and other support Personnel shall keep to leeward and more than 100 metres clear of any competitor or mark of the course between the preparatory signal and expiration of race time, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing nor receive communications not available to all boats for the purpose of obtaining outside assistance. This requirement also applies to mobile telephone communications.

23 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- (1) The Javelin Association of Australia Perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winning Australian skipper and crew of the Australian Championships.
- (2) Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the first four boats based on overall placings in the Championships.
- (3) Overall winning skipper and crew of the Invitation race series.
- (4) 1st placed Veteran skipper in the overall results Perpetual trophy
- (5) 1st placed Junior skipper in the overall results Perpetual trophy
- (6) 1st placed Female skipper else first female crew in the overall results Perpetual trophy
- (7) 1st Skipper and crew on handicap

24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors sail at their own risk. Injuries to competitors and damage to boats can and does happen. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the organisation of the 38th Javelin Australian Championships accept no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the Regatta or otherwise. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the Regatta disclaim any and all such liability. The Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor for the management and care of a boat she or he may be sailing in the Regatta.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$1,000,000 (recommended AUD\$10,000,000).

Attachment 1:

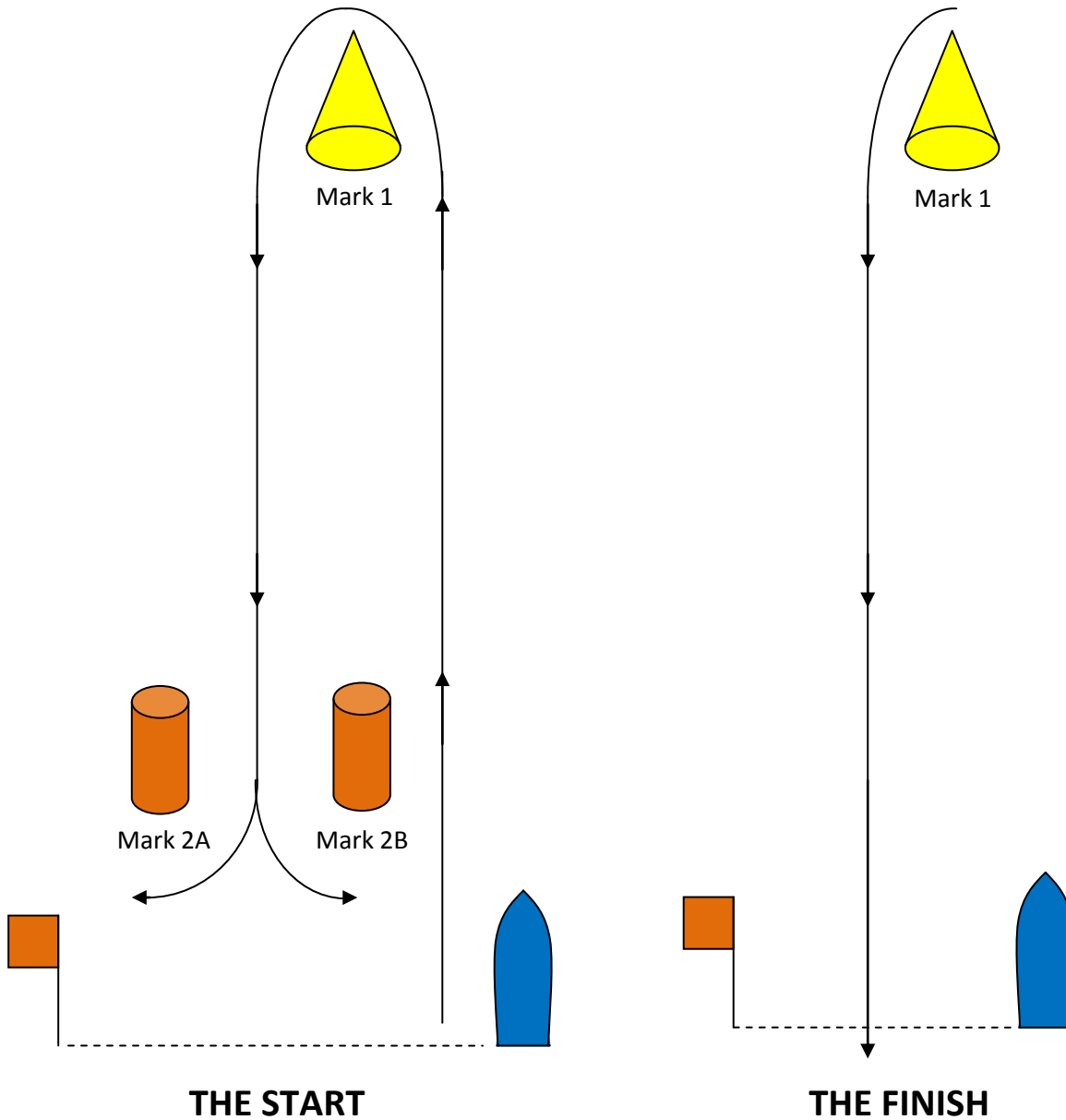
COURSES

Windward – Leeward Course

Int. Pennant No 3: Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish

Int. Pennant No 4: Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish

Int. Pennant No 5: Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish



Windward – Leeward Course

The windward mark (mark 1) is to be rounded to port.

The gate (marks 2A and 2B) permit the competitor to decide whether to round the starboard or port mark except that the competitor must sail between the gate marks (marks 2A and 2B) prior to rounding either mark.